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Virginia

The dear people around Virginia are complaining as usual about the weather. It is the same old song, wet or dry, hot or cold it is so natural for the human family to growl and scold. Even lovers will become irritable at a rainy Sunday evening. The river is higher than it has been for years and a large amount of wheat in the shock has been swept away and acres of corn destroyed. Wheat stacking, hay making and flax cutting have all been delayed by the heavy rains of last week.

Ray McCann who has been near Vinton, Iowa, for about two months, returned home last week. He reports all kinds of crops looking well there and he says that corn looked good from there to Bates county, Mo.

Sabbath afternoon Young Aaron took his mother and sister, Mrs. D. C. Wolfe, to the Virginia cemetery. On their way home they stopped at Mr. G. W. McGuire's and Mrs. McGuire and wife were there. Mrs. McGuire and niece entertained us with music on the organ and Mr. Loveland played some choice music on the harp. We enjoyed our short visit splendidly. They came how discovered that we were prohibitionists for they treated us to pure sparkling water as we were starting for home. We noticed a brand new mowing machine all ready for work. Mr. McGuire expects to wear some of the paint off it as soon as it quits raining long enough to make hay.

Mrs. Draper was on the sick list a few days last week.

John Harper shipped hogs to Kansas City last week.

Mrs. Darr and daughter, Thula, who were visiting kinfolks in Vernon county returned home the first of last week, and Mrs. Darr was quite sick last Friday.

Preaching at Christian church next Sabbath at 11 a. m. and at night.

The wedding has been put off until the flood is over. The high water has put cupid to a lot of trouble.

If you are wanting anything in the Duroc Jersey hog line call on J. H. Park, Butler, Mo., R. 5 and he can fit you out in most anything you want.

Joe Wolfe is trying to make his uncle believe he is looking at the crop prospect when driving round over the country with his fine horse and

buggy, but Joe's uncle is getting old.

Virginia and Miami Center ball teams played the second game of their series at the latter ball park Thursday, July 8th. The same old story, Edgar Bunch, from Virginia, being victorious by a score of 3 to 2. This was one of the snappiest games of the season and full of features from start to finish. The main feature being the excellent battery work of both teams and Edgar's one handed catch at second. Batteries little Willie Rubel and little Tommy Smiser, M. C. Cox and Hetman. Miami Center comes to Virginia Saturday, July 17. Be sure and come and see this game through.

When ever the country gets in need of rain just call on Claude Brummit and Miss Nettie Smiser to plan a visit by way of Butler.

Roy Cuzick left for Kansas City the first of the week.

Band practice every Saturday night.

Miss Myrtle Johnson who has been visiting Dr. Smith left for her home last week.

Andrew Dunlap has been on the sick list the past week.

Grandview ball team played against Virginia, the scores were 4 to 9 in favor of Grandview.

Dr. Smith was called to see Mrs. Blough who is on the sick list.

Billy Beckett and family left Monday for Appleton City where Mr. Beckett is chief carpenter in building an up to date modern house for Charly Lee. Mrs. Beckett will be chief cook for the hands.

Dick Craig, of Tulsa, Okla., visited his sister, Mrs. J. T. Whinery, and other kinfolks last week.

Several of the Virginia people went down to see the big river Sunday evening.

YOUNG AARON.

West Star Items.

There is lots of rain falling at this writing and the waters are higher than has been known in years.

G. W. Daniels and W. A. Searfus and families went to see the water Sunday.

There was quite a gathering of the neighbors at the river and saw the water last Sunday evening.

Gladys Geneva is very sick at this writing with Malaria fever.

Mrs. James Daniel is sick with Malaria.

Star Sunday School was almost rained out last Sunday.

Will Chaney and wife visited Neff Frazee last Sunday.

One of Mr. Searfus' fine mares was killed by lightning last week.

E. L. Letourno had to take his cows out of his pasture on account of the high water. He put them in G. W. Daniels' pasture.

Eulalia Daniels is staying at Charley Daniels.

George R. Daniels, of Horace, Kansas, says they have fine crops out there, and are getting plenty of rain. May Daniels and Alec Cameron visited Gladys Geneva last Sunday evening.

Quite a number of people went to see the water at Mr. Walkers.

Bert Blough has returned home. He has been farming west of Butler with his brother, Frank Blough.

J. J. Cameron's barn is about completed.

Dick Warren intends to begin threshing this week if it don't rain any more.

AUNT SALLY.

Ballard.

Rev. Nickell filled his regular appointment at Walnut Grove Sunday. On account of high water Rev. Smith was unable to meet his congregation at Fairview.

Mr. Redford lost three mules and one horse by lightning one day last week. Another mule was injured by the same bolt.

Mrs. J. Kedigh and baby have returned from a visit with relatives in Appleton City.

A fine boy arrived at the home of Col. and Mrs. Ben Harrison Thursday of last week.

Mrs. C. B. Hendrix returned to her home in Kiowa, Oklahoma, accompanied by her father, J. B. Hays, who will visit her for a short time.

Mrs. Belle and daughter, Miss Lottie, of near Appleton City, visited at the home of J. W. Cameron last of the week.

The recent rains have damaged the oat crop. Haying will soon be the order of the day.

BELLE.

Ballard No. 2.

Have you had all the rain you wanted? This is one time the moon signs failed to work. We have not suffered from overflows or railroad accidents since the recent wet spell, but it is because we have no R. R. nor river to contend with, but we had on our goods in the mud and had them high in our town.

We had a ball game Saturday between Ballard's first nine and second nine resulting in above an even game not counting the slips, falls, mishaps, muddy feet and loud hollering.

The cat and wheat crop out here is about as bad condition as a man would be in the middle of a river and could not swim. They are simply as bad as could be stated.

Well, the farmers in our vicinity are having a resting spell now, and they gather at the shops and stores and tell yarns about how big their corn is and how much hay they can pitch in a day, how high hogs are going and about the flood in Kansas City and other towns north. The women enjoy visiting, eating big potatoes, fried chickens and ice cream. But the men can beat 'em telling yarns. One farmer said his wife had been losing chickens and ducks mysteriously, but finally solved the mystery. Said he had a fine field of corn growing next to the yard, and the chickens went out in the corn in the day to catch lightning bug that kept up a continued light out there, but after catching all the bugs they found it was dark as night, and they went to roost waiting for daylight, but alas! day never came; that corn completely covered and hid the sun.

L. C. Redford lost three big work mules and one good horse by lightning last week. They were killed in the pasture across the road quite a distance from the house, and when Mr. Redford went out to drive them in preparatory to feeding them, he found them all in one heap dead. They were valuable stock, and Mr. Redford's loss was quite an embarrassing loss to him.

Thomas Jones also lost on the same day a very valuable horse; also the lightning struck the brother of the horse, who was at the barn at the time, but his horse escaped unhurt.

We are not an advocate of Sunday labor, but if the farmers can't stack their grain during the week, they

should not be blamed for breaking the Sabbath, if they can stack on Sunday, as it looks now as if they are going to lose it, if it is not stacked soon.

Our merchants are doing a good business during the wet weather, but look out when it clears up, so the farmers can reap and mow hay.

Winegardner Bros. are going to start their thrasher soon.

Walter Hendrickson was out today. Said he had a narrow escape over on the Miami river last week. He came near being drowned and the team following him was washed down stream, two ladies and one man rescued with a new wagon box for a boat.

Will Howard was in after his mow. Will is like all our farmers, would like to cut hay and stack grain, but the weather man has let the weather get away with him. It seems like the weather man has gone from home and left the boys, and the boys have gone off to a ball game and left the hog down, and they can't stop her. Things will change when pa comes home and flogs the boys and cools off the bureau.

FARMER.

Hume News from the Telephone.

Ira T. Jones and family, of Butler, celebrated with Hume folks.

A fine 10 pound baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Worthington Tuesday, July 6.

Ivan Morton is home from Stanford University, California, to spend the summer vacation.

Oat harvest has been held back this week on account of rain. The oat harvest is good, the best we have had in years, and the acreage is large.

Some person or persons touched off a heavy charge of dynamite in the park early Monday morning, breaking several plate glass fronts and shaking up things generally.

Clover sown with oats or flax is doing fine. Many farmers are seeding down their farms, giving the land a rest, and the recent rains give it a boom. Clover is getting to be one of our principal crops.

The extreme heat of last week was hard on horses as well as humanity. On Friday Wm. Thompson lost a fine \$200 black mare, and on Saturday C. E. Horton lost a black mare of like value. The heat killed them.

Herrell and Vicinity.

The weather man seems inclined to give us a few bright days for which we are truly thankful.

The farmers are very busy cutting grain, hay, etc. The fields are very soft which makes the work hard on the horses and men.

There is much complaint among the farmers of accidents with the horses. The following has come to our notice: Herbert Wayland has had three work horses sick the last week, but are improving now. Harold Hilliard's horse was seriously kicked by another horse. J. W. Barnhart lost a good horse with colic. Ed. Spear lost a yearling colt with lock jaw. Jas. Welch and John Hyatt each had a horse killed by lightning. Mr. Hyatt's animal we understand was especially valuable, being a fine racer.

Mr. Hovington had two steers killed by lightning during the recent storm.

John Seelinger and daughter, Ruth, left last week for Grainfield, Kansas, to visit with his son, Addie Seelinger and wife.

Jas. Garrett and wife spent Sunday with relatives in Butler.

James Claunch moved from the McFarland farm back to Butler Monday where he is employed at Simpson's meat market as butcher.

Oliver Thompson, of Macomb, Ill., is here to visit relatives. He will return the last of August with his wife and daughter who came here about 6 weeks ago.

Miss Salina Newlon and Miss Ruth Wayland spent Tuesday with Miss Ethel Haynes.

Henry Wayland had the misfortune to cut his foot on a scythe. The young man had been using the scythe and had put it through a fence and was climbing over when in some manner he stepped on the blade and severely cut his heel and partly cut the leader.

RED BIRD.

West Deepwater.

Wheat and oats are badly damaged by the heavy rains. Haying and threshing are on the stand still.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Hermann visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles, Sunday.

Mrs. George Borland is on the sick list.

We farmers feel badly discouraged about our crops, but our loss is nothing compared with those who live along the rivers.

Mrs. Charles has purchased a new oil stove.

Walter Burton was called to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Burton, of near Peru, who are seriously ill.

Frank Carroll went to Kansas City one day last week to get repairs for his threshing machine.

A. B. Penycuff who lives on the Allen farm has a very sick child with inflammation of the bowels.

If you want a good remedy for the blues call on G. R. Borum.

L. L. Wix's family is on the sick list.

The ice cream supper that was to be at the M. E. church at Spruce Saturday night was postponed until Monday night on account of rain. There was a large crowd out. We have not learned the amount received, it will be stated next issue.

FARMER JOHN.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

Neff Blough was in Monday and said he was in search of a lost, strayed or stolen ditch, that had been a thing of beauty and meant as a joy forever. When last seen it was doing its utmost to perform the functions for which it was intended, but a great flood had come out of the west and swallowed it up and he was mightily afraid it would be carried away and he would never be permitted to look upon its like again. We assured Neff that his fears were groundless and that when the flood subsided Mr. Ditch would be found in his accustomed place doing his best to hasten its departure and prevent its occurrence.

Just Like Lucas.

John Lucas and Judge Denton were on the train from Osceola the other day, and the Judge told John that Charley Lucas was complaining that Rolle Robins had been sent to the penitentiary. "Judge," said Lucas, "couldn't you change his sentence and send him to Clinton for a couple of years?"

And that reminded John of a former prominent Christian who used to preach in the Osceola and Clinton churches and live in the Osceola.

The following names were given as being in the Osceola and Clinton churches and living in the Osceola:—Charles

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12.50 suits.....8.50	Ladies' 2.00 oxfords at.....1.65	10.00 wash suits at.....6.00
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